



# 2013 NOTICE OF UPCOMING BILLING CHANGES

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## New sewer rate structure begins January 1, 2013

In April 2011, the City of Ilwaco implemented a new water rate structure that set a flat charge based on meter size plus a commodity rate for all water usage. Effective January 1, 2013, a similar sewer rate structure will be implemented that will set a flat charge based on water meter size plus a commodity rate for all sewer usage based on metered water.

The following are the 2013 rates for **sewer**:

Basic Rate	2012 Rate	2013 Rate
All Residential	\$64.50	\$35.00 plus \$8.65/100 CF for avg. metered water for April, May, Oct & Nov
Commercial	\$89.64 basic business rate	\$35.00 for 5/8" meter* plus \$8.65/100 CF for all metered water

\*For larger meter sizes, see rates at [www.ilwaco-wa.gov](http://www.ilwaco-wa.gov).

For residential customers, water usage for the months of April, May, October and November will be averaged to set a rate for the next year. For example, if a customer's average water usage for these four months is 341 CF, they will be charged a sewer rate based on 341 CF for all of 2013 ( $341/100 \times \$8.65 = \$29.50$ ) plus a base rate of \$35.00 (Total \$64.50 per month).

Commercial customers will be charged a base rate per their water meter size plus a commodity rate based on their actual water usage each month.

## Water and stormwater rates increase slightly for 2013

On December 10, 2012, the Ilwaco City Council adopted the 2013 water, sewer and stormwater rates and connection charges.

The following are the 2013 rates for **water**:

Basic Rate	2012 Rate	2013 Rate
Residential 5/8" meter*	\$22.66 \$3.32/100 CF for all metered water	\$25.90 plus \$3.60/100 CF for all metered water
Commercial 5/8" meter*	\$22.66 \$3.32/100 CF for all metered water	\$25.90 plus \$3.60/100 CF for all metered water

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The following are the monthly **stormwater** utility rates for 2013:

Classification	2012 Rate	2013 Rate	Description
All undeveloped parcels	\$3.00	\$3.61	Commercial & Residential
Parcels 6000 SF or less	\$6.00	\$6.18	Residential
	\$7.00	\$7.21	Commercial
Parcels greater than 6000 SF	\$8.00	\$8.24	Residential
	\$9.00	\$9.27	Commercial

## Direct pay now available for city utility accounts

Utility bills can now be automatically deducted each month from your bank account through the City of Ilwaco's direct pay program. Through direct pay, payments will automatically be processed for the balance due on or after the 20th of every month. Customers who elect this option will continue to receive a bill to review before payment is transferred.

To sign up, simply print, fill out and mail the form available from the city's website at [www.ilwaco-wa.gov](http://www.ilwaco-wa.gov) under "forms," email [clerk@ilwaco-wa.gov](mailto:clerk@ilwaco-wa.gov), or stop by City Hall at 120 First Av N.

**Sign up by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month, and direct pay will begin with the next billing cycle after you sign up!** For example, if submit your form by January 1, 2013, direct pay will begin with your February 2013 utility bill. You will still need to pay your January bill via cash or check. *Please note: Any payment that cannot be processed due to nonsufficient funds will be subject to a \$50.00 Nonsufficient Funds Fee.*

## Delinquency reminder notices

Any bill that remains unpaid after the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the month shall be classified as delinquent and will be assessed a \$15.00 late charge. A delinquency notice will be sent to the customer stating the delinquent balance, late charge and date water will be shut off if bill is not paid. *No other notice will be given prior to shut off. If water is shut off, a \$50.00 Administrative/Termination fee must be paid to restore service.*